WASHINGTON COUNTY COMMISSION WORK MEETING MINUTES MARCH 30, 2015

A Work Meeting of the Board of the Washington County Commission was called to order by Chairman Alan D. Gardner at 9:10 a.m. on March 30, 2015, in the Conference Room, Washington County Administration Building, St. George, Utah. Those in attendance were Chairman Alan D. Gardner, Commissioner Victor Iverson, Commissioner Zachary Renstrom, Administrator Dean Cox, Deputy County Attorney Eric Clarke, Deputy County Attorney Jodi Borgeson, and Deputy County Clerk Nicholle Felshaw.

AGENDA

<u>DISCUSSION OF POTENTIAL ORDINANCE REVISIONS CONCERNING WILDLAND-URBAN INTERFACE CODE</u>

Deputy Washington County Attorney Jodi Borgeson stated that she requested this work meeting to discuss a few revisions to the already adopted Wildland-Urban Interface Code.

Washington County Administrator Dean Cox explained the background on this issue. The County participates in the State Wildland Fire Fund which is a self-insurance pool. In 2003-2005 there was explosive growth in wild fires due to a combination of cheat grass moving into the mountains, along with drought and rain. The State realized it was spending a great deal on trying to defend private property structures that weren't defensible, so the counties were required to adopt the Urban Interface Code as a prerequisite of participating in the State Wildland Fire Fund. The proposed changes to the Code eliminate some impractical requirements.

The proposed changes were discussed, and Ms. Borgeson indicated that she would put the ordinance on a future county commission meeting agenda for final approval.

There being nothing further to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 9:32 a.m.

NICHOLLE M. FELSHAW ALAN D. GARDNER CHAIRMAN